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Dear madam:

I understand that the Association of Concerned Taxpayers (www.aoctp.org) is reporting that negotiations over the Microsoft antitrust suit are at a critical pass, and that the Dept. of Justice is asking for public comment.

Microsoft has already agreed to hide its Internet Explorer icon from the desktop; the fact is, this case against Microsoft is little more than "welfare" for Netscape and other Microsoft competitors, with not a nickel going to those supposedly harmed by Microsoft: the computer user.

"This is just another method for states to get free money, and a terrible precedent for the future," states the AOCTP, "not only in terms of computer technology, but all sorts of innovations in the most dynamic industry the world has ever seen."

This economically-draining witch-hunt has gone on long enough.

We wish to let the Department of Justice know how we feel about the Microsoft Settlement: We are satisfied Microsoft customers and love their products. We benefit from their creativity.

Instead of going after the terrorists about to attack our nation, Clinton went against an honest American. We want to see this Clinton-era case finally closed.

It is high time that we correct these scams, adjust our priorities, and apply some common sense. Our government and our system of laws ought to protect the welfare of the citizens and not the welfare of "special interests" that are filling their pockets with taxpayers' money.

Respectfully yours,

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